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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Honorable Pat Miller, Chairman c/o Sharla Dillon, Docket & Records Manager Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

RE: Petition of Frontier Communications, Inc. For a Declaratory Ruling
TRA Docket No. 04-00379

Dear Chairman Miller

Enclosed please find one (1) original and thirteen. (13) copies of Twin Lakes Telephone Cooperative Corporation's Petition for Leave to Intervene. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$25 00 for the filing fee. If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

Melvin J/Malone

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Enclosures

cc Guilford F. Thornton, Jr. H. LaDon Baltimore Robert Dudney

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE:		
PETITION OF FRONTIER)	DOCKET NO. 04-00379
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR A)	,
DECLARATORY RULING)	

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OF TWIN LAKES TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

Twin Lakes Telephone Cooperative Corporation ("Twin Lakes" or "Petitioner"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby seeks leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-310. In support of this petition, Petitioner states as follows:

- Petitioner is a Tennessee telephone cooperative authorized and organized under state law, specifically Tenn. Code Ann §§ 65-29-101 *et seq*, to operate and to provide services in the State of Tennessee and maintains its offices at P.O. Box 67, 201 W. Gore Avenue, Gainesboro, Tennessee 38562-0067
- 2. Petitioner provides a full range of telecommunications and broadband services in nine (9) Tennessee counties, servicing fifteen (15) exchanges.
- 3. In its Petition, Frontier Communications, Inc. ("Frontier") alleges that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority" or "TRA") has granted Frontier a statewide certificate of convenience and necessity as a competing telecommunications provider and that

there is no prohibition on Frontier operating within the boundaries of a Tennessee telephone cooperative

- 4. Further, Frontier alleges in its Petition that Ben Lomand Rural Telephone Co-op, Inc ("Ben Lomand") has taken the position that Frontier is "statutorily prohibited" from competing in Ben Lomand's territory.
- As Petitioner is a Tennessee telephone cooperative, the subject of this proceeding may directly affect Petitioner's operations in the State of Tennessee.
- 6. Petitioner's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests may be determined in this proceeding.
- 7 Because of its direct interest in this proceeding, Petitioner respectfully seeks to intervene in this matter.
- 8. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing the requested intervention.
- 9. Should the requested intervention be granted, all notices, pleadings, orders, and documents and the like in this proceeding should be provided to:

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Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy has been forwarded via U.S. Mail to the following on this the 19th day of December, 2004.

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